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Dear Mr. Faulk

As the Economic Development Director for the City of Alamosa in Colorado, it is my pleasure to write this letter in support of the San Luis Valley Regional Airport in its selection of **Denver Air Connection** for Alamosa's air service.

The San Luis Valley is in a unique geographic location which makes travel difficult at times. The economic vitality of our entire San Luis Valley benefits greatly from having adequate and consistent air service in and out of our 6 county region. Because we are over 2.5 hours from limited air service and at least 3.5 hours from major connections we are even more dependent on this connection service.

Our largest employers and other segments of the community use this service to get professionals to our area for interviews, consulting, meetings, locums work and multiple other reasons. Timeliness and reliability of flights to and from our area are imperative. For the same reason, connectivity to continuing flights is also vital for business and leisure travel. The ability to have bags transferred makes **Denver Air Connection** the best option available.

Tourism also brings people our area. The past two years, due to a couple of things: COVID and the movement to vacation in less populated areas and The Great Sand Dunes becoming a National Monument have resulted in a substantial increase in tourism for the San Luis Valley. Good connectivity is more important than ever for the livelihood of our region of over 50,000 people.

We humbly ask for your strong support of our local airport and community in choosing **Denver Air Connection** as our partner and the airline best suited to serve our unique needs.

Respectfully,

Kathleen J. Woods
Director of Economic Development
City of Alamosa